

REGULAR MEETING of the Burrillville Town Council held Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at 7:10 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, 105 Harrisville Main St., Harrisville for and within the Town of Burrillville.

PRESENT: Council President Nancy F. Binns, Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heitke, John M. Karmozyn Jr. and Norman C. Mainville

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

1. Council President Nancy F. Binns led those present in pledging allegiance to the flag.

2. VOTED to accept the minutes of the regular meetings held March 11 and March 25, 2009; the public hearings held March 11 and March 25, 2009; and dispense with the reading of said minutes.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

3. Public Comment

Kevin Blais of Tarkiln Road commented on his request for CART (Communication Access Realtime Translation) services for the present meeting. Timothy F. Kane, Town Solicitor, indicated that he had sent the following to Mr. Blais:

Mr. Kevin Blais

1738 Tarkiln Road

Harrisville, RI 02830

Dear Mr. Blais:

With respect to your request for a CART system, would you kindly have your audiologist provide this office with a written opinion indicating the appropriate accommodation for your particular disability. Once this information is received, the Town will be in a position to make a determination relative to a CART system.

Very truly yours,

Timothy F. Kane

Burrillville Town Solicitor

Mr. Kane stated for the record that the Governor's Commission on Disabilities had inspected the Town's equipment and found the Town to be in compliance. Discussion followed.

4. General Good and Welfare of the Town of Burrillville

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley announced that the Ocean State Power Scholarship applications are available at the Town Building. The deadline, she said, is April 30, 2009.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley announced a Burrillville/Glocester Relay for Life informational session on April 23, 2009 from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. at the A.T. Levy Memorial Library.

Councilor Margaret L. Dudley reminded those present that April is Pascoag Utility District Appreciation Month. Councilor Dudley listed workshops that the District will provide during their Earth Day Extravaganza.

Councilor Norman C. Mainville reviewed the number of traffic tickets issued in February and March 2009 and discussed police staffing.

Councilor Norman C. Mainville discussed the Nasonville Fire District's annual banquet and the members who were recognized. Councilor Mainville discussed former Nasonville Fire Chief Ronald E. Faford's contributions to the Fire District, St. Therese's Church and the community as a whole, and recommended that Mr. Faford be recognized at a future meeting.

Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. recognized Burrillville High School's Ashley Jolly upon her enrollment in the National Youth Leadership on

Medicine.

Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. announced that Taylor Duquette of the Burrillville Middle School had won the Lion's Club Peace Poster Contest.

Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. said that Austin T Levy School will celebrate its 50th birthday and dedicate a playground on Saturday, April 16, 2009 at 11:00 A.M.

Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. encouraged participation in the Lion's Club Annual Scholarship Breakfast on May 17, 2009 at the Burrillville Middle School from 7:30 A.M. to Noon.

Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, mentioned a potential delay in the Round Top Bridge project. Richard A. Bernardo, P.E., Director of Public Works and Engineering Services, will be meeting with the Department of Transportation on the subject.

Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, noted that the Town is scheduled to receive Rhode Island Local Equity Aid Program (LEAP) funds of \$415,000 to \$550,000. More details would be forthcoming.

Councilor Norman C. Mainville asked that the Town Council adjourn in memory of Bernard "Harpo" Lockwood, who served 60 years with the Nasonville Fire Department.

Council President Nancy F. Binns recognized the efforts of Pascoag Utility District to maintain rates.

Council President Nancy F. Binns extended condolences to Councilor Norman C. Mainville and Finance Director John P. Mainville on the death of their uncle Joseph Liest.

5. Petitions: None

6. Special Business:

Note: Item #09-108 was added to the agenda on April 6, 2009.

09-108 VOTED to open the request from Councilor Kevin D. Heitke that the Burrillville High School Robotics Team be formally recognized for its continued success for 2008/09.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Discussion: Jeff Bowser, John Demelim, Nathan Desautels, Robert Hayes, Steve Makowski, Derek Poitras, Cody Wojciechowski and their

advisor Josh Groleau of Northern Rhode Island Robotics Collaborative were recognized and congratulated on their success in FIRST – For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology – competitions. Derek Poitras explained the background of the Collaborative, discussed their achievements, and described the function of their robot. The team agree to demonstrate their robot later in the meeting.

09-090 VOTED to ratify proclamations honoring members of the Nasonville Fire Department: Robert Allard, Retired Chief Ted Gartland and Richard St. Sauveur for 50 years of service; and honoring the memory of Ted Labossiere and recognizing his many years of service to the community.

BURRILLVILLE TOWN COUNCIL PROCLAMATION

Whereas, First and foremost, Theodore “Ted” J. Labossiere, Jr. was dedicated to his wife Anna D. Labossiere and their children, grandchildren and great grand-daughter; and

Whereas, Ted Labossiere was a member of the Nasonville Fire Department for 18 years, from 1944 to 1962 and served as Fire Chief from 1959 to 1962; and

Whereas, Ted Labossiere also served in the Glendale Fire Department for 36 years, from 1962 to 1998, and as a Lieutenant for the department from 1965 to 1998; and

Whereas, Ted Labossiere worked in the maintenance department of Kent County Hospital in Warwick for 18 years and in the construction industry for many years; and

Whereas, Ted Labossiere was an active member of St. Theresa Church, Harrisville, where he was a member of the Men's Guild and served as the church caretaker for 15 years; and

Whereas, Ted Labossiere was a 3rd degree Knight of Columbus and member of Council 383; and was also involved for many years with the Burrillville Little League and Boys Scouts; and

Whereas, Ted Labossiere died on February 5, 2009, and will be sadly missed by people throughout the community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Town Council of the Town of Burrillville on this fourth day of April 2009, honor the memory of Ted Labossiere, recognize his many years of service to the Nasonville Fire Department and celebrate a life of dedication to family and community.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-091 VOTED to grant a Special Event Victualing House license to Rev. Clifford J. Cabral, St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, for the

Springfest Dinner (May 2, 2009) and the Applefest Dinner (October 17, 2009) to apply at 181 Sayles Avenue (Map 174, Lot 131).

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-092 VOTED to grant a Class F liquor license to Rev. Clifford J. Cabral, St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, for the Springfest Dinner (May 2, 2009) to apply at 181 Sayles Avenue (Map 174, Lot 131).

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-093 VOTED to grant a Special Event Victualing House License and a Special Event Entertainment License to Downtown Pascoag Neighborhood Association and the Town of Burrillville for the Taste of Burrillville Block Party to apply at Veterans' Park, Pascoag; and to grant the request for waiver of fees.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor

Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-094 VOTED to grant an Annual Arcade License to John J. Bateman, Spring Lake Arcade, to apply at 52 Old Hillside Drive, Glendale on property owned by the Town of Burrillville.

Motion by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-095 VOTED to grant an Annual Victualing License and an Annual Holiday License to The Washboard, LLC to apply at 82 North Main Street, Pascoag in property owned by Valliere Realty Associates LLC.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

7. Unfinished Business: None

8. New Business:

09-096 VOTED to open consideration and action on a recommendation to award the bid for the Police Station Addition/Renovation Project.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Discussion: Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, provided the background and need for the project, described the bidding process, and reported the results of the process.

VOTED A) that a contract be awarded to Pariseault Builders, Inc., provided the final details can be agreed upon by the Town Manager and Town Solicitor in an amount that would not exceed \$1,965,500; and B) that the funding for Alternate #3 in the amount of \$12,000 be approved; and C) that a contingency amount of \$200,000 [approximately ten percent (10%)] be authorized; and that the funding for this project come from the Debt Reduction Fund.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. The motion carried, six in favor, one abstention.

Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville. Councilor Robert A. Bishop abstained.

09-097 Consider and act on recommendations to award bids.

VOTED to award the Full Depth Pavement Reclamation bid to Rafferty Fine Grading, Inc. at a cost of \$1.879 per square yard.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

VOTED to award the Bituminous Concrete Pavement bid to Cardi Corporation at a per unit cost of \$62.50/ton surface course and \$57.00/ton for binder course with a base liquid asphalt price of \$550.00.

Motion by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. Seconded by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-098 VOTED to open discussion of the award of the bid for the December 31, 2009 Statistical Revaluation Project to Certified Revaluation Company in the amount of \$105,000.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Discussion: Councilor Margaret L. Dudley asked about funding for the statistical revaluation. It was noted that the project is included in the 2009 capital budget.

VOTED to award the bid for the December 31, 2009 Statistical Revaluation Project to Certified Revaluation Company in the amount of \$105,000.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-099 VOTED to grant the request of the Armenian National Committee of Rhode Island to raise the Armenian flag over the Town

Building on April 24, 2009.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr.

Discussion: Councilor Norman C. Mainville requested that the Council also consider and remember other genocides that have occurred in the past and are currently taking place. Councilor Margaret L. Dudley asked whether House Bill 2000 H 7397 had passed. Councilor Dudley suggested that the State should fund any curriculum mandates. The clerk indicated that she would report on whether the bill had passed.

The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-100 VOTED to refer to the Screening Subcommittee applications from Daniel P. Joubert, Sr. and Kevin H. Mazzearella.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Pending Legislation:

09-101 Recommendation of John P. Mainville, Finance Director, that the Town Council oppose House Bill 2009 – H 5123.

MOTION to oppose House Bill 2009 – H 5123.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees.

AMENDMENT: to send something to all the cities and towns, detailing the reasons that John P. Mainville lays out why we are opposing this; and seeking their opposition to the same bill.

Amendment by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor Wallace F. Lees.

The vote on the main motion carried unanimously. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

The vote on the amendment carried unanimously. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M.

Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-102 VOTED to oppose House Bill 2009 – H 6033, An Act Relating to Towns and Cities. Note: This act would limit department head salaries in all cities and towns to \$85,000 per year for the four years following passage.

Motion by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

Note: Members of the Northern Rhode Island Robotics Collaborative returned to Council Chambers and demonstrated their robot.

09-103 VOTED to support Senate Bill 2009 S 0251, relative to nomination papers for local candidates and a certification process for nomination papers, as requested by A. Ralph Mollis, Secretary of State.

Motion by Councilor Wallace F. Lees. Seconded by Councilor Margaret L. Dudley.

Discussion: It was noted that the Burrillville Board of Canvassers supports Senate Bill 2009 - S0251.

The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-104 VOTED to approve a resolution asking the legislators to support House Bill 2009 – H 6015, An Act Relating to the Oakland-Mapleville Number 4 Fire District.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Kevin D. Heitke. The motion carried, six in favor, one opposed. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville. Councilor Margaret L. Dudley voted in opposition.

9. Town Clerk/Communication:

09-105 VOTED to receive and file, with thanks, the legislative status report on the bills on which the Town Council has taken a position.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M.

Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-106 VOTED to receive and file the correspondence from Council President Nancy F. Binns regarding a public workshop relative to Improvements at Sayles Avenue, Pascoag, scheduled for April 15, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Pascoag Utility District.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr.

Discussion: Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, explained the purpose of the workshop, i.e to receive public input on proposals for Sayles Avenue. Mr. Wood indicated that the project has not been funded but that an application would be put forward under the stimulus program. Mr. Wood thanked the Pascoag Utility District for their efforts in publicizing the workshop.

The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

09-107 VOTED to receive and file the correspondence from Michael P. Lewis, Director, Department of Transportation, regarding improvements to Route 107 – Pascoag Main Street.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor Robert A. Bishop.

Discussion: There was discussion of whether this portion of the Route 107 project was being delayed. Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, indicated that he would research and report on the matter.

The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

10. Additional New Business:

Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, asked to add an item of Good & Welfare at this point in the meeting.

Michael C. Wood, Town Manager, noted that the town newsletter, The Bugle, would be published on-line during the coming week and would be distributed at certain locations throughout town. Mr. Wood discussed the option of subscribing to the on-line version of The Bugle, as well as other subscription options.

11. VOTED to adjourn at 8:17 P.M. in memory of Bernard “Harpo” Lockwood.

Motion by Councilor Norman C. Mainville. Seconded by Councilor John M. Karmozyn, Jr. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor were Council President Nancy F. Binns and Councilors Wallace F. Lees, Robert A. Bishop, Margaret L. Dudley, Kevin D. Heike, John M. Karmozyn, Jr. and Norman C. Mainville.

The meeting was taped. The tape is on file with the record of the meeting.

Louise R. Phaneuf, Town Clerk